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WAREHAM AND PURBECK RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL



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MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH



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FOREWORD

Public Health Office,
Health Centre,
Swanage,
Dorset.

To the Chairman and Members of the Wareham and Purbeck
Rural District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present to you my Annual Report on the health and sanitary conditions of the Wareham and Purbeck Rural District for the year 1963.

There were no serious outbreaks of infectious disease in the district during the year.

The estimated population for the district at mid 1963 shows an increase of 1,429 on the Census population of 1961.

The vital statistics for the district compare very favourably with those for England and Wales as a whole. Births were 17 fewer and deaths 13 more than in 1962. The number of live births registered exceeded deaths by 211.

In view of the concern felt regarding the increased number of deaths due to cancer of the lung, and the evidence that cigarette smoking is a major factor in causing this increase, it is of interest to note that deaths in the Rural District from this cause during 1963 were 11 compared with 6 in 1962, and of the total number of deaths from all forms of cancer in the Rural District during 1963 over 26% were due to cancer of the lung.

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This is my twenty-sixth and last annual report to the Council before my retirement, and I take the opportunity of thanking all Members for their kindness and consideration, the Clerk of the Council and other Officials for their unfailing help and co-operation throughout a period of service which has been a very pleasant one for me.

My thanks are also due to Mr. Grant, your Senior Public Health Inspector for his assistance in preparing this report.

I have the honour to be,

Your obedient Servant,

E. J. O'KEEFE

Medical Officer of Health

July, 1964.

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS

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Meat and Food Cert.
(Commenced Duties 20.5.63)

Office accommodation and clerical assistance for the Medical Officer of Health who is also Medical Officer of Health to the Wareham Borough Council, Swanage Urban District Council and Senior Assistant County Medical Officer, Dorset, are provided by the Authorities concerned.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area of the Rural District	...	...	...	95,954 acres
Population	...	...	at Census 1961	20,861
	as estimated by Registrar General	mid 1962	...	22,170
	as estimated by Registrar General	mid 1963	...	22,290
Number of inhabited houses	...	at end of 1962	...	6,162
Number of inhabited houses	...	at end of 1963	...	6,308
Rateable value at 1st. April, 1963	...	...	...	£606,781
Sum represented by Penny Rate 1962/63	...	...	...	£1,014. 7. 1d.

VITAL STATISTICS

Area comparability factors - Births 1.00 Deaths 1.16

						<u>Comparative Rates</u>	
<u>Live Births</u>						<u>Wareham</u>	<u>England</u>
						<u>R.D.</u>	<u>& Wales</u>
Total registered	...	...	426	210	216		
Legitimate	...	...	404	199	205		
Illegitimate	...	...	22	11	11		
Rate per 1000 population	19.1	...	...	...	...	19.1	18.2
Illegitimate Live Births per cent of total live births						5.2	
<u>Still Births</u>							
Total registered	...	...	7	5	2		
Legitimate	...	...	7	5	2		
Illegitimate	...	...	-	-	-
Rate per 1000 total live and still births	...	...	...	...	...	16.2	17.3
<u>Total Live and Still Births</u>							
Total registered	...	...	433	215	218		
<u>Deaths</u>							
Total registered	...	...	215	113	102		
Rate per 1000 population	9.6	...	...	...	...	11.1	12.2
<u>Infant Deaths (Under 1 year)</u>							
Total registered	...	...	8	4	4		
Legitimate	...	...	8	4	4		
Illegitimate	...	...	-	-	-
<u>Infant Mortality Rates</u>							
Total infant deaths per 1000 total live births						18.8	20.9
Legitimate infant deaths per 1000 legitimate live births						19.8	
Illegitimate infant deaths per 1000 illegitimate live births						Nil	
<u>Neo-natal Mortality Rate</u> (deaths under four weeks per 1000 total live births)						...	11.7
<u>Early Neo-natal Mortality Rate</u> (deaths under one week per 1000 total live births)						...	11.7
<u>Perinatal Mortality Rate</u> (stillbirths and deaths under one week combined per 1000 total live and still births)						...	27.7
<u>Maternal Mortality</u> (including abortion)							
Number of deaths				...	Nil		
Rate per 1000 total live and still births				...	Nil		

CAUSES OF DEATH AT DIFFERENT PERIODS OF LIFE DURING 1963

(Registrar General's Official Return)

Cause of Death	Total all Ages		Under 4 Weeks	4 weeks & under 1 year		1-	5-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75 & over
	M.	F.		M.	F.									
10. Malignant neoplasm, stomach	3	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1
11. Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	10	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	4	2
12. Malignant neoplasm, breast	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-
13. Malignant neoplasm, uterus	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14. Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms	9	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	2	5	1
17. Vascular lesions of nervous system	6	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	3
18. Coronary disease, angina	34	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	5	13	14
19. Hypertension with heart disease	2	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	10
20. Other heart disease	9	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3
21. Other circulatory disease	4	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	14
22. Influenza	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
23. Pneumonia	14	11	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	8
24. Bronchitis	5	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
25. Other diseases of respiratory system	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
26. Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	4
27. Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	2
29. Hyperplasia of prostate	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
31. Congenital malformations	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
32. Other defined and ill-defined diseases	4	7	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1
33. Motor vehicle accidents	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	1	-
34. All other accidents	1	3	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35. Suicide	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-
Total all Causes	113	102	3	2	1	2	-	3	1	2	2	1	8	48

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

WATER SUPPLY

The Poole and East Dorset Water Board which came into being on the 1st. April, 1960, control the public piped water supplies in the district, apart from the Lulworth Castle Estate Water Undertaking.

In the areas served by public supplies the water has been adequate and maintained at a highly satisfactory standard of purity.

The parishes of East Stoke and East Holme have the poorest water supply both in quantity and quality than any other part of the district which has not a piped public supply. It is hoped that eventually this area of the district will be supplied by extensions of the Poole and East Dorset Water Board's supply.

The extension of the supply main from Holton Heath to Corfe Castle by the Board, when completed, will enable a satisfactory water supply scheme to be provided for the Studland and Worth Matravers areas of the district.

The following areas of the district have a piped water supply from the Poole and East Dorset Water Board's main - Lytchett Matravers, Lytchett Minster and Upton, Bloxworth, Morden, Holton Heath, Organford, Sandford, Bere Regis, Affpuddle, Turnerspuddle, Bovington Camp, Wool, Winfrith, Bestwall, Worgret, Carey Estate, Cold Harbour, Stoborough, Ridge, Corfe Castle, Langton Matravers, Acton, Harmans Cross, Moreton, Church Knowle.

The following areas are supplied from the Lulworth Castle Estate supply - West Lulworth, East Lulworth and Coombe Keynes.

Privately Owned Village Supplies

Chaldon Herring has a standpipe supply from Lulworth Castle Estate and the water bacteriologically is highly satisfactory.

Kingston and Kimmeridge villages have small piped gravity supplies from surface springs. The water, with the exception of the Kingston supply which is chlorinated, is untreated and the results of bacteriological examination of samples taken from these small supplies are variable.

Studland Village supply is derived from surface water collected on neighbouring heathland areas. The water is sand filtered and give consistent highly satisfactory results. The quantity of water is very limited and shortage is experienced during summer months.

There has been no major alteration to the source of supply in these areas during the year.

Particulars supplied by the Poole and East Dorset Water Board

I am indebted to the Board's Engineer and Manager for the following information with regard to the water supply during 1963.

The Board's Southern district comprises the Borough of Wareham, the Urban District of Swanage and the Rural District of Wareham and Purbeck. The water supplied by the Board derives from wells and boreholes at Briantspuddle, Worgret, Bloxworth, Corfe Castle, Ulwell and Church Knowle.

Details of Sources and Treatment Applied.

<u>Source</u>	<u>Type of Source</u>	<u>Depth of Well/Borehole</u>	<u>Treatment Applied</u>
Corfe Castle	Well	17 feet	Slow sand filtration chlorination and post ammoniation.
Church Knowle	Spring	-	Chlorination
Briantspuddle	Well	250 feet	Chlorination
Worgret	Well	30 feet	Iron removal and pH correction, pressure filtration and chlorination.
Ulwell	Well	450 feet	Chlorination
Bloxworth	Borehole	130 feet	Chlorination

During the year the Board abstracted the following quantities from these sources:-

<u>Source</u>	<u>Volume of Water into Supply</u>	
Briantspuddle	266,488,000	gallons
Worgret	84,179,000	gallons
Bloxworth	7,541,000	gallons
Corfe Castle	144,587,000	gallons
Ulwell	55,531,000	gallons
Church Knowle	1,961,000	gallons

The water was maintained at a high standard of purity and sufficient to meet all demands.

Regular bacteriological examinations of both raw and distributed water were made in the Board's Laboratory giving the following results:-

Raw Water *

<u>Source</u>	<u>Total No. of Samples</u>	<u>M.O.H. Classification</u> (Report 71)				<u>Max P.C. at 37°C</u>	<u>E.Coli I Demonstrated</u>
		<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>		
Worgret	46	34	9	-	3	40	3
Corfe Castle	47	2	2	-	43	1000	40
Ulwell	42	36	3	-	3	40	3
Church Knowle	22	13	5	1	3	10	0

* Briantspuddle and Bloxworth not obtainable due to chlorination into pump suction.

Distributed Water

<u>Source</u>	<u>Total Number of Samples</u>	<u>M.O.H. Classification (Report 71)</u>			
		<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>
Briantspuddle	14	11	3	-	-
Worgret	45	43	2	-	-
Bloxworth	17	16	1	-	-
Corfe Castle	95	86	9	-	-
Ullwell	45	45	-	-	-
Church Knowle	36	31	5	-	-

Plumbo Solvency

Only the raw water derived from Worgret has any plumbo-solvency. This is corrected during the iron removal process continuously applied at the source.

Chemical Analyses

Frequent checks of chlorine residual are made in the control of treatment plants and in samples taken from mains and consumers' taps throughout the area of supply.

Bacteriological Examination of Water Supplies

In addition to the samples of water taken by the Water Board, the following samples were taken during the year by the Public Health Inspector for the Rural District, for bacteriological examination at the Public Health Service Laboratory.

Public Mains Supplies

A total of 5 samples were taken and all gave satisfactory results - Class 1 of Ministry of Health Report 71.

Private Estate Supplies

A total of 4 samples were taken and all were satisfactory.

Private Wells

A total of 67 samples were taken for examination, 27 were reported as satisfactory, 33 as unsatisfactory and 7 as suspicious.

SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE

Work continued during the year on the Council's programme for the sewerage of the villages in the district which have a mains water supply.

Sewerage and Sewage Disposal

Corfe Castle

This system was completed in November, 1963, and sewers are available to all but a few remote properties in the village.

Wareham Joint Sewage and Disposal Works

Details of this undertaking were submitted to the Ministry in December, but delay has been caused by the necessity for a Compulsory Purchase Order on the proposed site.

Sandford

The Sandford sewerage extension proposals have been approved in principle by the Ministry but work is to be held up pending the start of the Joint Disposal Scheme.

Studland

This scheme was submitted to the Ministry in September but a decision was postponed pending investigation into the possibilities of a sea outfall instead of a Disposal Plant.

Proposed Sewerage and Sewage Disposal Schemes

It is the Council's expressed intention to carry out sewerage schemes for Bere Regis, Lytchett Matravers, Stoborough and Ridge, in that order, after Studland.

Number of Houses Connected to Public Sewer and Number of Cesspools abolished during the Year

Parish	No. of Connections to Sewer	No. of Cesspools abolished
Langton Matravers	13	11
Wareham St. Martin (a) Sandford	7	Nil
(b) Bestwall	Nil	Nil
West Lulworth	12	3
Briantspuddle	4	3
Lytchett Minster (Upton)	79	30
Wool	72	53

Public Sewerage System

1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Parish	Locality	No. of Houses connected to sewer	No. of Houses within 100 ft. which could be connected to sewer	Total Houses in Parish	Percent Col. 4 connected to sewer	Percent Col. 5 connected to sewer
Langton Matravers	Village	171	239	359	71.1	47.6
Wareham) St. Martin)	Sandford Bestwall	361 -	367 -	582 -	98.3 100.0	62.0 100.0
Affpuddle	Briantspuddle	62	69	133	90.0	46.6
Lytchett Minster	Upton	663	862	1058	76.9	62.6
Wool	Wool	159	369	668	43.0	23.8

Remarks:

The West Lulworth sewage which is untreated is discharged into the sea in deep water to the west of Lulworth Cove. Sandford sewage is treated by sedimentation, sludge drying and effluent filtration, the effluent is discharged into the River Piddle. Bestwall sewage is discharged untreated into the adjoining Wareham Borough sewer. Langton Matravers sewage is discharged untreated into the Swanage Urban District Council's sewerage system. Briantspuddle sewage is treated by sedimentation, sludge drying and effluent filtration, the effluent ultimately reaches the River Piddle. Upton sewage is treated by sedimentation, sludge drying and effluent filtration, the effluent is discharged into Lytchett Bay. Wool sewage has similar treatment and the effluent is discharged to the River Frome.

Public Cleansing

Refuse Collection

The weekly refuse collection has been maintained with some difficulty due to shortage of staff.

We have reverted to the use of one main tip at Gallows Hill, except for about 2 loads per week which are deposited in a disused chalk pit at Morden. The tip at Upton is no longer in use because of complaints by nearby residents and the Thrashers Heath tip has been discontinued after unsuccessful attempts at composting.

Cesspool Emptying Service

The demand for this service is still such that overtime has to be worked, despite the addition of Corfe Castle to the villages with main drainage. Difficulty is still experienced in the disposal of sludge, a tip has been made near Morden Mill Farm to serve that area and Lytchett Matravers.

ATOMIC ENERGY RESEARCH ESTABLISHMENT, WINFRITH.

Liaison: The Council is represented on the Liaison Committee which was set up in 1959, to deal with health, safety, and public relations aspects of this establishment.

Disposal of Radioactive Wastes: Radioactive waste from this establishment is conveyed by pipe line to Arish Mell from where the pipe line extends two miles out to sea. The Council have received no complaints regarding the establishment or the disposal of radioactive wastes.

SANITARY INSPECTIONS OF THE AREA

Summary of the Public Health Inspectors' Work for the Year 1963

Total Number of Inspections and Visits

Complaints and Nuisances

Investigated	...	...	...	81
Visits	...	...	...	92

Housing

Housing Acts

No. of houses inspected for defects	...	...	...	119
Visits for such purposes	...	...	...	131
Houses requiring repair	...	...	...	23
Houses overcrowded	...	...	...	12
Revisits	...	...	...	9

Public Health Acts

No. of houses inspected	...	...	...	57
No. of houses requiring repair	...	...	...	27
Visits	...	...	...	65

Drainage

Inspections of cesspools, septic tanks, etc.	...	...	...	767
Drains reconstructed or repaired	...	...	...	9
Drains tested	...	...	...	342
Cesspool drainage connected to sewer	...	...	...	100
Effluents sampled	...	...	...	2

Water Samples

Visits	...	...	...	78
Samples	...	...	...	71

Registered and Other Premises

Moveable dwellings	...	...	...	165
Schools	...	...	...	12
Public Premises (Cinemas, lavatories, etc.)	...	...	...	18
Figgeries and Stables	...	...	...	1
Factories	...	...	...	21

Infectious and other Diseases

No. of houses visited	...	...	...	3
Visits	...	...	...	3
Disinfections carried out	...	...	...	8
Bedding and clothing disinfected	...	...	...	-

Verminous Premises

No. of houses visited	...	...	...	2
No. of visits	...	...	...	3
Disinfestations	...	...	...	1
Bedding and other clothing disinfested	...	...	...	-

Visits

Rivers and streams	...	...	...	13
Rodent control	...	...	...	5
Inspections of new works	...	...	...	1453
Petroleum Regulations	...	...	...	17
Planning Acts	...	...	...	382
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	115
Food premises - Stores, Shops, Stalls, etc.	...	...	...	159
Slaughterhouses, Butchers Shops	396
Bakehouses	16
Dairies, Milkshops	-

Food Sampling

Ice cream	157
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Diseases of Animals

No. of visits	-
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Abatement of Nuisances - Public Health Act

Nuisances investigated	81
Informal Notices served	33
Statutory Notices served	...	...	-
No. of Nuisances abated after (a) Informal Action	...	...	20
(b) Statutory Action			-
No. of Informal Notices outstanding 31.12.63	...	...	13
No. of Statutory Notices outstanding 31.12.63	...	...	-

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

Milk Supply

All milk sold by retail in the district is either 'pasteurised', 'tuberculin tested pasteurised' or 'tuberculin tested', as the Wareham and Purbeck Rural District is part of a specified area under Section 37 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955.

No. of Milk Distributors on Register 31.12.63	...	...	18
No. of Dairy Premises on Register 31.12.63	...	...	1
Visits made to Dairies during the year	...	...	-
Number of Notices served on Owners with respect to dairies			Nil
Number of Notices complied with	...	...	Nil

Ice Cream

During the year some 2 new registrations were made under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1955 and allowing for those premises in which the sale of ice cream ceased during the year, the number of premises on the register at 31.12.63 was 107.

A total of 157 samples were taken during the year and submitted to the Methylene Blue Reductase test with the following results -

<u>No. of Samples</u>	<u>Provisional Grade</u>
146	1
8	2
2	3
1	4

Meat and Other Foods

Meat

The two slaughterhouses owned by

(1) Parkstone and Bournemouth Co-operative Society at
Palmerston Road, Upton

(2) G. H. Stevens at West Street, Corfe Castle

continued in operation during the year and conditions therein were maintained at a satisfactory standard. Again I am able to report that a 100% meat inspection service has been maintained throughout the year some 396 inspections having been made.

The following table indicates the details of carcasses inspected -

	Cattle	Cows	Calves	Sheep	Pigs
No. of animals killed	991	573	820	1244	7750
No. of carcasses inspected	991	573	820	1244	7750
<u>All Diseases except T.B.</u>					
Carcasses condemned.	-	2	21	4	14
Carcasses of which some part was condemned.	125	282	5	58	638
Percentage.	12.6%	49.5%	3.1%	4.9%	8.4%
<u>T.B. only</u>					
Carcasses condemned	-	1	-	-	-
Carcasses of which some part was condemned	-	0.3%	-	-	0.2%

Total weight of meat and offal condemned - 6 tons. 2 cwts. 3 qtrs. 0 lbs.

In addition some 7 carcasses were found to be infected with *Cysticercus Bovis*. The infected organs were condemned and the carcasses detained in freeze for 21 days. This gives an incidence of 0.44%.

Knackers Yards.

The two knackers yards in the district were regularly inspected and conditions in both were found to be satisfactory throughout the year.

Food Premises

(1) No. of Food Premises by type of business in the district

Grocery and General Provisions	57	Green Groceries	6
Sweets - Confectioners	12	Bakehouses	5
Fried Fish Shops	2	Butchers Shops	7
Hotels and Public Houses	35	Slaughterhouses	2
Cafes and Restaurants	30		

(2) No. of Food Premises by type registered

(a) Under Sec. 16, Food and Drugs Act, 1955

Manufacturers of Sausages etc.	7
Fish Frying	2
Sale of Ice Cream	107

(b) Under Milk and Dairies Regulations

Dairy Premises	2
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(3) No. of Inspections of Registered Food Premises

Premises for manufacture of sausages	18
Fish Frying premises	5
Ice Cream premises	157
Dairy Premises	Nil

The following foodstuffs were found to be unfit for human consumption and were condemned -

Tinned Fruit	-	6 lbs.	5 $\frac{1}{2}$ oz.
Tinned Tomatoes	-	4 "	6 "
Tinned Soup	-	3 "	15 "
Tinned Corned Beef	-		12 "
Butter	-	2 "	8 "
Frozen Chickens	-	110 "	

Watercress

The programme of water sampling from the various watercress beds in the district was continued during the first few months of the year, and in all a further 99 samples were obtained.

The analysis of these samples revealed a similar pattern of results to that experienced previously, with those taken from the inlet ends of the cress beds proving, consistently, to be of higher bacteriological quality, and those taken from the outlet ends having the greater amounts of B. coli (type 1).

Samples of the actual cress were not taken during this series of sampling.

HOUSING

The condition of houses in the district shows a continued steady improvement. The amended statistics of the Rural Housing Survey completed in 1956 shows an increased proportion of houses in Category 1.

The present rate of building appears to be unable to satisfy the demand for houses in the district, as the number of applicants on the Housing List at the end of the year showed an increase of 75 on the previous year's figure.

The Council's scheme for the provision of 12 units of accommodation for old people in need of welfare supervision at Sandford, comprising 5 units with 1 bedroom, 2 units with 2 bedrooms and 5 units with bed-sitting room, together with Warden's quarters and common rooms including recreation, washing and drying rooms and kitchen was making progress by the end of the year and should be ready for occupation by the time this report is prepared.

The statistics of the Rural Housing Survey completed in 1956 are tabulated below in an amended form after making allowances for the construction of new houses; the demolition of unfit houses and re-categorisation of others following improvement grants.

<u>Total</u>	<u>Cat. 1.</u>	<u>Cat. 2.</u>	<u>Cat.3.</u>	<u>Cat. 4.</u>	<u>Cat. 5.</u>
5859	3110	604	758	1011	376

A moderate policy for the demolition of unfit properties of slum clearance has been pursued with the result that 6 demolition orders or undertakings have either been made or accepted.

During the year some 28 applications for discretionary grants and 23 standard grants were approved.

Housing Inspections

(1) Inspections of Dwelling Houses during the year

- (i) (a) Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects (under both Public Health and Housing Acts)... 176
- (b) Number of inspections made for the purpose ... 196
- (ii) (a) Number of dwelling houses (included under sub-heading (i) above which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regs.1925-32) 4
- (b) Number of inspections made for the purpose ... 4
- (iii) Number of dwelling houses found to be in a state so dangerous as to be prejudicial to health and unfit for habitation ... 6
- (iv) Number of dwelling houses (inclusive of those referred to under preceding sub-heading) not found to be in all respects fit for habitation ... 29

(2) Remedy of Defects during the year without Service of Formal Notice

Number of defective premises rendered fit in consequence of informal action by Local Authority	25
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(3) Action under Statutory Powers during the year

(a) Proceedings under Secs. 9 and 16 Housing Acts 1936 and Sec. 9 Housing Act, 1957

(i) Number of houses in respect of which Notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	1
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(ii) Number of houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices				
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(a) by owners	Nil
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(b) by Local Authority	Nil
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(b) Proceedings under Public Health Acts

(i) Number of dwelling houses in respect of which Notices were served requiring defects to be remedied	...	27
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(ii) Number of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied by service of formal notices		
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(a) by owners	27
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(b) by Local Authority	Nil
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(c) Proceedings under Sec. 12 Housing Act, 1936 and Sec. 18 Housing Act, 1957

(i) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were made	Nil
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(ii) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which closing orders were determined the tenements or underground room having been made fit	Nil
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(d) Proceedings under Secs. 11 and 13 Housing Act 1936 and Secs. 16, 17 and 18 Housing Act, 1957

(i) (a) Demolition Orders made	5
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(b) Undertakings not to use for human habitation until rendered fit - accepted	1
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(ii) Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders	Nil
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(4) Housing Financial Provisions Act, 1958, Sec. 30, Improvement Grants (Discretionary)

Number of enquiries received during 1963	78
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Number of applications previously approved but completed in 1963	27
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Number of separate dwellings provided	29
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Number of applications submitted during 1963	28
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Number of dwellings concerned	29
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Number of applications approved	27
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Number of dwellings concerned	28
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Number of applications refused	1
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Number of schemes completed during 1963	5
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Number of dwellings concerned	5
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Number of schemes under construction at 31.12.63	13
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Number of applications approved but not yet started	9
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(5) House Purchase and Housing Act, 1959 - Improvement Grants (Standard)

Number of applications previously approved but completed in 1963	14
Number of separate dwellings provided	...	...	...	14
Number of applications submitted during 1963	...	...	...	23
Number of dwellings concerned	...	...	...	23
Number of applications approved	...	...	...	23
Number of dwellings concerned	...	...	...	23
Number of applications refused	...	...	...	Nil
Number of schemes completed during 1963	...	...	...	8
Number of schemes under construction at 31.12.63	...	...	...	12
Number of applications approved but not yet started	...	...	...	3

(6) New Houses

Total number of new houses erected during 1963

(a) Permanent	...	...	...	143
(b) Prefabricated	...	...	...	2
(c) Temporary	...	...	...	Nil

Number erected during 1963 with State Assistance

(a) by Local Authority				
(i) Permanent	...	...	...	17
(ii) Prefabricated	...	...	...	Nil
(b) by other bodies or persons	...	...	...	Nil

Number erected during the year by Private Enterprise 143

Number of temporary dwellings erected ... Nil

Control of Moveable Dwellings

During the year the relicensing of caravan sites in accordance with the Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act continued with the result that some 15 licenses were issued. The total number of sites now licensed amount to 37.

Sites

Sites licensed for individual residential caravans	22
" " " residential and holiday caravans	...	...	...	5
" " " holiday caravans only	...	...	...	6
" " " residential caravans only	...	...	...	7

Caravans

Number of holiday caravans	...	...	...	807
" " residential caravans	...	...	...	351

HOUSING PROGRESS - 1963

Parish	Houses completed 1962-63		Total houses owned at 31.12.63	Houses under con- struction 31.12.63	No. of Applicants on housing list at 31.12.63
	1963	1962			
Affpuddle	4	-	11	2	13
Arne	-	-	48	-	22
Bere Regis	-	-	78	-	22
Bloxworth	-	-	8	-	3
Chaldon Herring	-	-	8	-	-
Church Knowle	-	-	6	-	4
Coombe Keynes	-	-	6	-	1
Corfe Castle (A)	-	4	67(A)	-	19
East Holme	-	-	-	-	-
East Lulworth	-	-	6	-	1
East Stoke	-	-	10	-	6
Kimmeridge	-	-	-	-	-
Langton Matravers (B)	-	-	44	4(B)	30
Lytchett Matravers	-	-	92	-	17
Lytchett Minster ^x	3	10	151 ^x	8	82
Morden	-	-	22	-	15
Moreton	-	-	6	-	5
Steeple	-	-	4	-	-
Studland	-	-	42	-	10
Turners Puddle	-	-	-	-	-
Tyneham	Military Training Area				
Wareham St. Martin	-	26	106	36	101
West Lulworth	2	-	24	-	17
Winfrith Newburgh	-	-	32	2	8
Wool	-	-	86	-	59
-do- (Bovington)	8	-	158	12	49
Worth Matravers	-	-	6	-	1
	17	40	1,021 (A)	64 (B)	485 ∅

x 40 B.D.H. dwellings subsidised by the Government NOT included.

∅ Includes approximately 30 transfer applications.

(A) Includes one house purchased for battle area family.

(B) Plus 4 dwellings in contract let at Langton Matravers but work not started on 31.12.63.

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE

The incidence of notifiable infectious disease in the district continues to remain low. No case of diphtheria, poliomyelitis, enteric fever, dysentery or food poisoning was notified during the year.

The absence of cases of diphtheria and poliomyelitis, and the relatively few cases of whooping cough can be attributed to the effective immunisation of infants and young children against these diseases.

The following cases were admitted to hospital - measles 1; pneumonia 1; acute encephalitis 1; respiratory tuberculosis 4.

There were 25 deaths due to pneumonia - 22 of these were in persons over 55 years, 2 in children under 1 year of age and 1 in a child in the 1 - 5 years age group. There were no other deaths due to notifiable infectious disease, but there was 1 death due to influenza in a person over 65 years.

Scarlet Fever

There were 13 cases notified compared with 2 in the previous year. The 13 cases were fairly scattered in the district.

Whooping Cough

The incidence of whooping cough continues to remain low and the infection was relatively mild; 15 cases were notified.

Measles

1963 was an epidemic year for measles; 473 cases were notified compared with 50 in the previous year.

Tuberculosis

Five new cases of respiratory tuberculosis were notified compared with 4 in 1962 and 9 in 1961. One new case of other forms of tuberculosis was notified, the same as in 1962 and 1961.

Poliomyelitis Vaccination

The scheme for immunisation against poliomyelitis includes all ages up to 40 years, and certain priority groups who are likely to be exposed to special risk of infection.

Vaccination and Immunisation Statistics, Wareham R.D. 1963

(P) Primary dose

(B) Booster dose

Poliomyelitis						Diphtheria		Whooping cough		Tetanus		Smallpox	
Full Course	Oral		P.	Salk		P	B	P	B	P	B	P	B
	3rd.	4th.		3rd.	4th.								
378	93	522	44	57	31	344	213	331	115	450	219	128	37

Infectious Disease Notification (Corrected) Figures

Disease	1st Qtr.	2nd. Qtr.	3rd. Qtr.	4th. Qtr.	Total	Admitted to Hospital
Scarlet fever	3	1	-	9	13	-
Whooping cough	1	1	12	1	15	-
Measles	86	56	145	186	473	1
Pneumonia	3	-	-	1	4	1
Ac. Encephalitis	1	-	-	-	1	1
Tuberculosis - respiratory	-	2	-	3	5	4
- other forms	1	-	-	-	1	-

Cases of Infectious Disease Notified during 1963

Disease	Total	Age Groups											
		Under 1	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-9	10-14	15-24	25 & Ov.	A.U		
Scarlet fever	13	1	-	2	-	1	7	1	1	-	-		
Whooping cough	15	-	2	2	2	-	8	-	-	1	-		
Measles	473	9	35	48	37	42	250	46	3	3	-		
		Under 5		5 - 14		15 - 44		45 - 64		65 & Ov.		A.U	
Ac. Pneumonia	4	-		-		-		-		4		-	
Ac. Encephalitis	1	-		1		-		-		-		-	
		Under 5		5 - 14		15 - 24		25-44		45-64		65 & Ov	A.U
Tuberculosis - respiratory	5	-		1		-		3		-		-	1
Other forms	1	-		-		-		1		-		-	-

Scabies and Verminous Conditions

There were no cases either of scabies or verminous conditions reported during the year.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 - Section 47. Removal of Persons in Need of Care and Attention to Suitable Premises

It was not found necessary to take formal action under this section of the Act during the year.

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

Part 1 of the Act

1 - INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health (including inspections made by the Public Health Inspectors)

Premises	Number on Register	Number of		
		In-spections	Written Notices	Occupiers prosecuted
(i) Factories in which Sections 1,2,3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	5	4	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	58	13	-	-
(iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding Outworkers' premises)	61	10	-	-
Total	124	27	-	-

2 - Cases in which DEFECTS were found

Particulars	Number of Cases in which defects were found				No.of Cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Re-medied	Referred		
			To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness (S1)	3	3	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature(S3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary conveniences (S7)	-	-	-	-	-
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	1	1	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act(not including offences relating to Outwork)	-	-	-	-	-
Total	4	4	-	-	-

Part VIII of the Act

Outwork (Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of Work	No. of Out-workers in August List reqd. by Sec. 133(1)(c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to Council	No. of Prosecutiona for failure to supply lists	No. of instances of work in un-wholesome premises	Notices served	Pro-secu-tions
Wearing apparel (making etc. cleaning & washing)	2	-	-	-	-	-
Other work	-	-	-	-	-	-

